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HAWAII FIFTY YEARS AGO.

Gorham D. Gilman Talks of His Experiences.

THE CHANGES OF HALF A CENTURY.

The Astonishment of the Store Keepers When They Woke Up One Morning and Found That Some One Had Had the Audacity to Cut Prices.

Mr. Gorham D. Gilman gave a short—too short—lecture at the Y. M. C. A. Hall last evening. His subject was "Hawaii as it was and is."

The lecture was not intended to be a specially connected one. The speaker simply gave his reminiscences as they occurred to him. He was introduced by C. B. Ripley, and said, in part: LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—Accepting the invitation of my friend Mr. Corbett to chat a while with you gives me great pleasure for several reasons. I am permitted to run back over fifty years of my life since I landed here. The good ship in which I came rounded Diamond Head in May, 1841. We had to lay outside until morning; when a whaleboat came out to meet



GORHAM D. GILMAN.

(From a Photograph.)

us. The people, the language, everything was new to us. One of the natives in the boat was Steven Reynolds, who acted as pilot, and was well known to all old residents. The mother of the President of the Republic was one of the ladies who saw these almost naked men in the boat, and they all flew to their cabins, wondering if these uncouth men were those among their lives were to be spent.

When we landed, it was a strange sight that met our view, and yet it is in some ways the same today. We heard the same sweet word that is still in use—aloha—the word that expresses as much to all who have lived in these islands.

My business, a clerk in the store of Ladd & Co., brought me much in contact with the natives, and I had to learn the language. While doing this, I had some curious experiences. I remember one day asking an old native to get me a book, and he told his boy to go and find it. The boy moved slowly, and the father ripped out a regular sailor's oath. This made the boy move much more quickly. I asked him what he meant by using such language, and he said it was haole talk. When I asked him if he knew the meaning of the words he had used, he said they meant "hurry up." He had noticed that when the captain of a ship swore at his sailors, they moved faster, and formed his opinion from this.

In those days, our methods of selling were different from what they are now. We sold one yard of silk for a dollar, two yards of turkey red for the same amount, three yards of calico, and four yards of brown cotton cloth. This was the universal price, and you can imagine our surprise when we woke up one morning and found an Englishman selling six yards of cloth for a dollar. The merchants were disgusted at the innovation, banded together, and decided to drive him out of town. But they didn't and he thrived.

The fish market in those days, was simply a lot of laial, covered with leaves. Many natives used to come down from the villages with their two calabashes of poi slung over their shoulders. When they sold or traded one, they would not divide the poi that was in the other to make the weight equal, but would put a large stone in the empty calabash.

Every one in those days, had their lookout for a ship. Whenever one was sighted, which was not often, there was great excitement. We didn't get a steamer nearly every week then.

I remember one evening, when the first double quadrille was danced in Honolulu. This was the first time that eight ladies could be found to dance together. It is different now. There were quite a number of important persons here in those days. I remember one evening, there was a

young man leaning up against a fence on Fort street. The English admiral came down the street and saw a sign over the young man's head. It read "Webster." "Are you related to Daniel Webster?" asked the admiral. "Yes, I am his grandfather," said the young man, and he and the admiral were friends for life, because of the ready answer.

There was little or no friction between the races then; each was always ready to help the other. Kamehameha III was a grand illustration of a democratic king. He was a man among men, always dignified, but he loved his people, and he was among those who thought to give Hawaiians an interest in the soil. In his reign was instituted the Land Commission. Any native had only to prove that he had occupied his kuleana and worked it, and he would have the broad seal of the Aupuni put upon his paper, and the land was his.

About five o'clock every Saturday afternoon we would see a troop of Hawaiians, with the king and queen at their head, every one an Alii, riding down what is now Maunakea street. All the people gave way to them and honored them.

When I came here I was the only white boy of my age in the place. I have seen many changes. I do not see now a well kept-up native house. Nearly all live in the white man's houses, and this shows an advance in civilization. When I came there were 130,000 Hawaiians. Now there are 40,000. What is the future of these people? May it be that the spirit of Christianity may thrive, obliterating politics, and saving the nation.

When, in 1844, the Hawaiian flag was hauled down in Honolulu and the flag of England raised, there was sadness here. When the principal of the royal school opened the doors of his schoolroom he saw that all the royal